

**DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY
THE COMPREHENSIVE ENVIRONMENTAL RESPONSE,
COMPENSATION, AND LIABILITY ACT (CERCLA)**

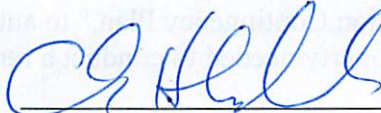
Acquisition of Real Property

1. **AUTHORITY.** Pursuant to the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act, Section 104 and 40 CFR Part 300, "National Oil and Hazardous Substances Pollution Contingency Plan," to authorize an acquisition of real property or an interest in real property needed to conduct a remedial action.
2. **TO WHOM REDELEGATED.** Through the Director, Superfund and Emergency Management Division, or equivalent, to the Branch Chief, Remedial Cleanup Branch, or equivalent.
3. **LIMITATIONS.**
 - a. The regional administrator, division director, or branch chief may only exercise this authority for each acquisition costing up to \$25,000.
 - b. The Director, Real Property Services Staff, Office of Administration will carry out acquisitions authorized under this authority pursuant to EPA Delegation 1-4B, "Real Property and Space."
 - c. The General Counsel must concur before this authority is exercised, unless and until such concurrence requirement is waived by memorandum. The General Counsel may redelegate the authority to concur.
 - d. The state in which the interest is to be acquired must assure in a cooperative agreement or Superfund state contract that it will accept transfer of the interest following completion of the response.
 - e. The clearance or approval of the form, text, and legal sufficiency of each legally operative document issued pursuant to this delegation must be obtained from the Office of Regional Counsel before signing and issuing such document.
4. **REDELEGATION AUTHORITY.**
 - a. This authority may be redelegated to the branch chief level, or equivalent.
 - b. An official who redelegates an authority retains the right to exercise or withdraw the authority. Redelegated authority may be exercised by any official in the chain of command down to the official to whom it has been specifically redelegated.
5. **SUPERSESSSION.** This delegation supersedes R10 14-30 (07/16/2018) and any other delegation of the same authority.
6. **ADDITIONAL REFERENCES.**
 - a. 40 CFR Part 35, Subpart O, "Cooperative Agreements and Superfund Stat Contracts for Superfund Response Actions."
 - b. 40 CFR Part 31, "Uniform Administrative Requirements for Grants and Cooperative Agreements to States and Local Governments."

- c. The Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970, 42 U.S.C. Section 4601 et. seq.
- d. 49 CFR Part 24, "Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition for Federal and Federally Assisted Programs.
- e. EPA Delegation 14-2.
- f. U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Records Schedule, Series No. 668A, "Real Property Records." NARA Schedule No. NC1-412-85-26/IX/3.
- g. EPA Delegation 14-30.

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Date



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